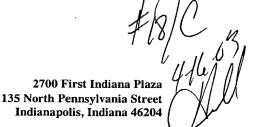


PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE





ATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit:

2123

Atty. Docket: 9090-0149

Applicant(s): Lindner et al.

OSE McKINNEY & EVANS LLP

Title:

APPARATUS FOR USE IN AN INDUSTRIAL PROCESS AND PLANT INCLUDING SUCH APPARATUSES AS WELL AS METHOD FOR SIMULATING OPERATION OF SUCH PLANT }

415815

Serial No.:

09/873,552

Filed:

June 4, 2001

Examiner:

Bryant, David P.

Group:

3726

Certificate Under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Box Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents,

Washington, D.C. 20231

March 6, 2003

Dated: March 6, 2003

RECEIVED

MAR 1 7 2003

Technology Center 2100

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following in response to the non-final Office Action mailed November 6, 2002. Amendments are submitted in accordance with the revised format now permitted pursuant to the Office of Patent Legal Administration Pre-OG Notice dated January 31, 2003.